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MINNESOTA BULLETIN NO. 360-5-44

SUBJECT: PER – INVASIVES SPECIES TRAINING OPPORTUNITY

Purpose. To inform the field offices that a free one-day training workshop on invasive species is available.

Expiration Date. October 15, 2005.

The Minnesota Loggers Education Program with the Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy and MN DNR Forest Stewardship Program are co-sponsoring two, one-day workshops on "Invasive Plants of Minnesota's Forests". The dates are October 5 and 6, 2005. The October 5th date is filling quickly and they expect to fill the October 6th date as well.

Anyone interested in attending this free workshop needs to obtain your supervisor's approval before registering for the workshop. A copy of the announcement and registration is attached. Send your questions about this bulletin to Ginger Kopp, State Staff Forester, 651-602-7909.

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Attachment

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Invasive Plants of Minnesota Forests



Glossy Buckthorn
plants.usda.gov

One-Day Workshop Co-sponsored by
Institute for Agriculture & Trade Policy
MN Logger Education Program, and
MN DNR Forest Stewardship Program

Wed. Oct. 5 and Thurs. Oct. 6, 2005
Registration 8:00am - 8:30am
Workshop 8:30am – 3:30pm
Forest History Center
Grand Rapids, MN



Garlic Mustard
invasivespecies.blogspot.com

This workshop will help loggers, foresters, and resource managers learn how to identify, monitor, and control the most troublesome invaders of Minnesota's woodlands. These non-native invasive species have ecological implications for forest communities, disrupt tree regeneration, and create problems during and after timber harvests.

Lead instructor Gigi La Budde of IATP's Community Forestry Resource Center will lead the all-day session with both classroom and field components. The workshop will focus on the most common woodland invasives: Common and Glossy Buckthorn, exotic Honeysuckles, and Garlic Mustard. Plant pests that are locally abundant, such as Japanese Barberry, Japanese Knotweed will also be covered as will invasives that prefer sun but can spread along trails and roads—such as Spotted Knapweed, and Wild Parsnip.

Highlights Include:

- Developing basic “four-season” identification skills and understand the life history of each species, especially as it pertains to eradication and control methods
- Learning to distinguish between non-native (exotic) invasive species and “native but sometimes nuisance” species such as Prickly Ash, Sumac, Alder, Willow, Hazel, etc.
- Developing an ability to assess a site and determine appropriate management practices: What is realistic? Who will pay for it? Who is responsible?
- Helping to shape future Invasives policy in Minnesota by giving input as to what are realistic, efficient, and affordable approaches that can be adopted by woodworkers.

MLEP continuing education credit and 4 SAF CFE credits are offered for this workshop.

This workshop is free of charge, but space is limited. Register now!

To register online go to: <http://www.mlep.org/onlinereg.htm> or contact:

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